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- 1. WE SPOKE TO RAFEEUDIN AHMED, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO SYG, ALONG LINES PARA 10 REFTEL. AHMED THANKED US FOR THIS EXPRESSION OF US SUPPORT FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ICP AND CENTRAL UN STRUCTURE. HE REPORTED THAT THE QUESTION OF THE FUTURE OF ICP HAD BEEN EXAMINED IN A GROUP CONSISTING OF HIMSELF, BRAD MORSE AND SIR ROBERT JACKSON. THE GROUP HAD CONCLUDED THAT THE MOST USEFUL ARRANGEMENT FOLLOWING ICP'S DEPARTURE FROM FAO WOULD BE TO LINK IT DIRECTLY TO UNDP AND HAD SO RECOMMENDED TO WALDHEIM WHO SEEMED FAVORABLY DISPOSED TOWARD THAT SOLUTION. MATTER IS NOW BEING GIVEN FURTHER THOUGHT BY MORSE (MINISTER-COUNSELOR HAS COURTESY CALL ON MORSE SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 27 AND MAY TAKE OPPORTUNITY TO INDICATE US VIEWS AND INVITE MORSE COMMENTS.
- 2. AHMED NOTED THAT SHOULD ICP BE LINKED TO UNDP, IT WOULD HAVE TO BROADEN ITS ORIENTATION BEYOND AGRO-ALLIED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INDUSTRIES. IT SHOULD, IN AHMED'S VIEW, ALSO SEEK MEMBERSHIP BY ENTERPRISES, BOTH PRIVATE AND PUBLIC, FROM THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES. AHMED FURTHER SPECULATED THAT WAY MIGHT BE OPENED TO SOME SORT OF PARTICIPATION FROM SOVIET UNION NOW THAT ICP WOULD NOT BE LINKED TO FAO.

3. WALTER SIMONS (ICP SECRETARIAT) CALLED ON MINISTER-COUNSELOR FOR GENERAL DISCUSSION OF ICP PROBLEM LAST WEEK AND WAS INFORMED OF OUR INTENDED APPROACH TO AHMED. LEONARD

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